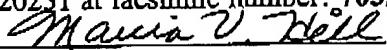


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Washington, D.C. 20231**OFFICIAL**THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

It is understood that the First Preliminary Amendment filed January 21, 2000, and the Second Preliminary Amendment filed March 9, 2000, were not entered in this application and that the US Patent and Trademark Office considers the application currently to include claims 1-43, which originally were filed in the subject PCT patent application.

However, the applicant requests that the application be examined with claims 44-111, which are submitted below. The filing fee for filing claims 44-111 already has been paid, as Examiner Meislahn acknowledged in a phone conversation with the undersigned on June 14, 2000.